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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

AKIHIRO KIMURA ET AL.

Application No.: 09/888,594

Filed: June 26, 2001

For: ELECTRON SOURCE
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Examiner: Sumati Krishnan
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May 18, 2004

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

a.) Introductory Comments:

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 25, 2004, kindly amend the
subject application as follows:

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01 FC:1201 516.00 PG
02 FC:1202 434.00 PG